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Park Operational Base Summary: The table below shows the annual park operating base for all parks within this state. Park operational base funds are supplemented by as yet undetermined amounts of project funding from regional or servicewide-managed programs, such as cyclic maintenance, the Natural Resources Preservation Program, and the Drug Enforcement Program.

If a park is in more than one state, the park is included in each of the appropriate state tables. The full operating base is shown; no attempt has been made to split the park operating base amount between two or more states.

Congress'l District Park Units	(dollars in thousands)				
	FY 2001 Enacted	FY 2002 Enacted	FY 2003 Uncontrol Changes	FY 2003 Program Changes	FY 2003 Estimate
23 Amistad NRA	2,310	2,347	27	-11	2,363
21 Big Bend NP	4,596	4,704	74	-32	4,746
02,09 Big Thicket National Preserve	2,227	2,268	29	-12	2,285
16 Chamizal Natl Memorial	1,833	1,864	20	-8	1,876
23 Fort Davis NHS	962	984	19	-8	995
23 Guadalupe Mountains NP	2,093	2,332	27	-11	2,348
13,19 Lake Meredith NRA & Alibates Flint Quarry NM	1,895	1,935	29	-12	1,952
14,21 Lyndon B Johnson NHP	2,900	2,964	41	-17	2,988
27 Padre Island NS	2,536	3,019	34	-14	3,039
27 Palo Alto Battlefield NHS	395	636	4	-2	638
23 Rio Grande W&S River	187	187	0	0	187
28 San Antonio Missions NHP	2,868	2,966	41	-18	2,989

For FY 2003, Program Changes include increases contained in park operations and for counter-terrorism activities. Program Changes are reduced for travel and associated costs by implementing management reforms to achieve savings.

This table does not include programs from other appropriations such as General Management Plans, Land Acquisition, Line Item Construction, Federal Lands Highway Program, and Historic Preservation Fund State Grants. Information on the distribution of funds in these programs is outlined on the next page. There are separate sections on General Management Plans and the Trails Management Program.

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(dollars in thousands)

PROGRAMS NOT INCLUDED IN PARK BASE:

GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (See GMP section for further information)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Amistad NRA	Ongoing Project
Big Bend NP	Ongoing Project
Big Thicket NPres	Ongoing Project
Guadalupe Mountains NP	Ongoing Project
Lake Meredith NRA	Ongoing Project

LAND ACQUISITION (see attached)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Big Thicket NPres	3,000 acres	\$3,000

CONSTRUCTION: LINE ITEM CONSTRUCTION (see attached)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Big Bend NP	Rehab/expand Castolon water system	\$246
Big Bend NP	Installation of fire sprinkler systems	\$673

PROPOSED FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY PROGRAM

None

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND: STATE GRANTS

State apportionment: \$1,064

STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS

Proposed state apportionment: \$7,675

(Does not include \$48,600,000 for Cooperative Conservation Initiative, which will be distributed to the states through national competition.)

Land Acquisition and State Assistance/Federal Land Acquisition

Fiscal Year 2003 National Park Service Federal Land Acquisition Program

Program or Park Area: **Big Thicket National Preserve**

National Park Service Land Acquisition Priority (FY 2003): Priority No. 26

Location: Vicinity of Beaumont, Texas

State/County/Congressional District: State of Texas/Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Orange, Polk, and Tyler Counties/Congressional Districts No. 2 and 9

Land Acquisition Limitation Amount Remaining: There is no limitation.

Cost Detail: The estimated annual operating costs associated with this acquisition are \$0.152 million.

Date	Acres	Total Amount
FY 2003 Request	3,000	\$3,000
Future Funding Need	7,766	\$17,000

The total amount includes the cost of title, appraisal, environmental site assessment, acquisition, and relocation assistance.

Improvements: None

Description: Big Thicket National Preserve was authorized October 11, 1974, to preserve the natural, scenic, and recreational resources of a significant portion of the Big Thicket area. The Act of July 1, 1993, added to the Preserve 10,766 acres of timberland owned by three timber companies. The act directed that: (a) privately owned lands be acquired only with the consent of the owner, (b) lands owned by commercial timber companies be acquired only by donation or exchange, and (c) lands owned by the State of Texas or any political subdivision thereof may be acquired only by donation.

Natural/Cultural Resources Associated with Proposal: A great variety of plant and animal species coexist in this "biological crossroads of North America."

Threat: Timbering of non-Federal lands at the national preserve would endanger the fragile ecosystem of the Big Thicket area.

Need: Funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 are needed to purchase from The Conservation Fund (TCF) a portion of the acres added to the preserve in 1993 and previously owned by two timber companies. The funds requested are needed to commence acquisition from TCF. Both TCF and The Nature Conservancy are assisting the Service in the acquisition of the 1993 addition to the preserve. *Acquisition of these lands will contribute to the NPS GPRA Goal 1a Preserve Natural and Cultural Resources.*

Interaction with Landowners and Partners: By letter of March 9, 2001, the National Park Service requested the concurrence of The Conservation Fund (TCF) with a proposal that TCF assist in the acquisition of the lands added to the preserve in 1993. The concurrence of TCF was granted on April 11, 2001. A similar letter was sent to The Nature Conservancy (TNC) on October 17, 2001. TNC concurred on November 1, 2001. The landowners are willing sellers.

Construction and Major Maintenance/Line Item Construction and Maintenance**National Park Service
PROJECT DATA SHEET**

Project Score/Ranking:	1000
Funding FY:	2003
Funding Source:	Line Item Construction

Project Identification

Project Title: Rehab and Expand the Castolon Water System (Completion)		
Project No: 9042	Unit/Facility Name: Big Bend National Park	
Region: Intermountain	Congressional District: 21	State: Texas

Project Justification

Project Description: This package will complete the rehabilitation and expansion of the existing water system by drilling new water wells, installing new water lines, constructing a new tertiary water treatment facility, and constructing a gravity water system for water distribution for the Castolon developed area. This would include all fire suppression requirements and backflow requirements. Supplemental funding is being requested for FY2003 to complete this project due to unanticipated conditions encountered at the construction site. Funds requested would replace the water tanks, increase the size of the fire pump for sufficient outflow, and cover increased transportation costs of equipment and materials due to the remoteness of the work site. NPS will provide a Capital Asset Plan for this project to document the reasons for the need for funding beyond 10% of the original estimate, and to demonstrate that the project remains within its cost, schedule and performance goals.

Project Need/Benefit: The existing system is apparently influenced by the water table of the Rio Grande River and has been written up by Public Health Service inspection reports and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in June, 1998. The report identified violations to 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE 290.113 for Sulfates, Total Dissolved Solids, and Fluorides in this water system. Denver Service Center conducted a fire suppression test of the area for installing fire suppression systems in the historic structures in the area and found an inadequate water volume and pressure to accommodate even a minimum system installation. The existing ionics treatment system has been inoperable for over ten years and requires total replacement due to inadequate maintenance being performed.

Ranking Categories: Identify the percent of the project that is in the following categories of need.

100% Critical Health or Safety Deferred	0% Critical Mission Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Health or Safety Capital Improvement	0% Compliance & Other Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Resource Protection Deferred Maintenance	0% Other Capital Improvement
0% Critical Resource Protection Capital Improvement	

Capital Asset Planning 300B Required: YES: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO: <input type="checkbox"/>	Total Project Score: 1000
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Project Costs and Status

Project Cost Estimate:	\$'s	%	Project Funding History:
Deferred Maintenance Work :	\$ 1014000	100	<i>Appropriated to Date:</i> \$ 768,000
Capital Improvement Work:	\$ 0		Requested in FY 2003 Budget: \$ 246,000
Total Project Estimate:	\$ 1014000	100	Required to Complete Project: \$ 0
Class of Estimate: A			Project Total: \$ 1,014,000
Estimate Good Until: 09/30/02			
Dates: Sch'd			
(qtr/yy)			
Construction Start/Award	1 / 2003		Project Data Sheet
Project Complete:	4 / 2003		Prepared/Last Updated: 2/10/02
			Unchanged Since
			Departmental
			Approval:
			YES: <input type="checkbox"/> NO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Construction and Major Maintenance/Line Item Construction and Maintenance**National Park Service
PROJECT DATA SHEET**

Project Score/Ranking:	860
Funding FY:	2003
Funding Source:	Line Item Construction

Project Identification

Project Title: Installation of Fire Sprinkler Systems		
Project No: 60431	Unit/Facility Name: Big Bend National Park	
Region: Intermountain	Congressional District: 23	State: Texas

Project Justification

Project Description: This project would provide adequate structural fire protection at Panther Junction and provide employees with safer living conditions by installing automatic fire sprinkler systems in all permanent park housing units, buildings containing curatorial storage, and all other park-owned buildings that require more than the available water supply for manual fire fighting needs. The project would also include installing fire sprinklers in the 4 houses and dormitory in the Chisos Basin and 4 houses at Rio Grand Village developed areas. These structures would include 49 houses, 2 single story apartment buildings, the Remuda dormitory, the Panther Junction headquarters building, and the "Bally Building" curatorial storage building.

Project Need/Benefit: The current storage capacity of the Panther Junction water supply system is inadequate for fire fighting needs. Installing automatic fire sprinkler systems greatly reduces the volume of water needed for fire fighting allowing the park to meet nationally accepted standards without increasing the storage capacity. Automatic fire sprinkler systems have been shown to save lives and reduce property damage. It is NPS policy to protect curatorial storage areas with automatic fire suppression systems.

Ranking Categories: Identify the percent of the project that is in the following categories of need.

80% Critical Health or Safety Deferred	0% Critical Mission Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Health or Safety Capital Improvement	20% Compliance & Other Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Resource Protection Deferred Maintenance	0% Other Capital Improvement
0% Critical Resource Protection Capital Improvement	

Capital Asset Planning 300B Required: YES: NO: x	Total Project Score: 860
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Project Costs and Status

Project Cost Estimate:	\$'s	%	Project Funding History:
Deferred Maintenance Work :	\$ 0		Appropriated to Date: \$ 0
Capital Improvement Work:	\$ 673000	100	Requested in FY 2003 Budget: \$ 673,000
Total Project Estimate:	\$ 673000	100	Required to Complete Project: \$ 0
Class of Estimate: C			Project Total: \$ 673,000
Estimate Good Until: 09/30/02			
Dates: <u>Sch'd</u>			
(qtr/yy)			
Construction Start/Award 1 / 2003			Project Data Sheet
Project Complete: 4 / 2003			Prepared/Last Updated: 2/10/02
			Unchanged Since
			Departmental
			Approval:
			YES: x NO: